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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Awadhesh K. Mishra Confirmation No.: 7018  
Serial No. : 09/321,766 Customer No.: 35437  
Filed : May 28, 1999  
Art Unit : 1617  
Examiner : Edward J. Webman  
For : **Thermoprotected Compositions and Process for Terminal Steam Sterilization of Microparticle Preparations**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114(d) of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

- Amendment and Response to December 19, 2005 Final Office Action (8 pages);
- Check No. 22656 in the amount of \$790.00 for RCE fee;
- Petition for Extension of Time (1 page);
- Check No. 22657 in the amount of \$1,020.00 (Petition); and
- Return Postcard.

Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114(d), Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/321,766. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is an amendment and response. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants request that the amendments be entered and the finality of the Office Action, dated December 19, 2005, be withdrawn.

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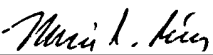
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference 28069-503.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 19, 2006

  
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